This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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